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Sir:

RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2006, in the above matter, the period for response having been extended up to July 10, 2006, by submission of the required petition and fee herewith. Applicants elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II (claims 7-15) for prosecution in this application. Non-elected subject matter will be deleted in due course.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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